DISCUSSION OF THE AMENDMENT

Claims 15-20 are active in the present application. Claims 1-14 are canceled claims. Claims 15-20 are new claims. Support for new independent Claims 15, 17 and 19 is found in previously presented dependent Claims 12, 13 and 14, respectively. Support for new Claims 16, 18 and 20 is found in previously presented Claim 11. With regard to the limitation in new Claims 17 and 19 that "any two of" the groups R1 to R3 or R4 to R7 is connected to form a ring structure, for support Applicants draw the Office's attention to paragraph [0112] of the PG publication corresponding to the present application (i.e., 20060068984).

No new matter is added.

REMARKS

Applicants thank Examiner Hailey for indicating that the subject matter of Claims 12 and 14 would be allowable if rewritten in independent form. New Claim 15 includes the limitations of previous Claims 1 and 12 and substantially corresponds to the subject matter of the previously presented claims. New independent Claim 19 includes the limitations of previously pending Claims 1 and 14 and substantially corresponds to the subject matter of the previously presented claims. Because the Office indicated that the aforementioned subject matter is allowable if rewritten in independent form, Applicants request allowance of present Claims 15 and 19.

New independent Claim 17 substantially corresponds to the subject matter of previously presented Claims 1 and 13. The Office rejected previously pending Claim 13 on the grounds that prior art Kojoh (US 6,753,378) discloses the use of N,N-diethylbenzamide and N,N-dimethyltoluamide as electron donors (see page 3 of the March 27, 2007 Office Action).

Applicants submit that the compound of formula (1) as defined in Claim 13 is different from the N,N-diethylbenzamide and N,N-dimethyltoluamide disclosed in Kojoh. The electron donors of Kojoh do not have substituents that interbond and thereby form ring structures. In Kojoh, the N,N-diethylbenzamide and N,N-dimethyltoluamide contain a single substituent that has a ring-containing group (i.e., a benzyl group and a toluyl group respectively). Kojoh does not disclose any electron donor wherein the substituents are combined to form a ring structure.

Applicants therefore submit that the subject matter of previously presented Claim 13 is patentable over <u>Kojoh</u> and new independent Claim 17 should be allowed.

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For the reasons discussed above, Applicants submit that all now-pending claims are in condition for allowance. Applicants request withdrawal of the rejection and the mailing of a Notice of Allowance acknowledging the patentability of the presently claimed subject matter.

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